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File: USPT

Apr 6, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5893080

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5893080 A

TITLE: Disbursement system and method

DATE-ISSUED: April 6, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 506579 [PALM]

DATE FILED: July 25, 1995

INT-CL: [06] G06 F 17/60

US-CL-ISSUED: 705/40; 235/379, 340/825.3, 340/825.35, 705/35, 705/39

US-CL-CURRENT: 705/40; 235/379, 340/5.41, 705/35, 705/39

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 395/230, 395/233, 395/234, 395/240, 705/30, 705/34, 705/33, 705/40, 705/410, 705/1, 705/35, 705/39, 221/9, 235/375, 235/379, 235/381, 340/825.3, 340/825.35

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ART-UNIT: 271

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Cosimano; Edward R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Hayes, Soloway, Hennessey, Grossman & Hage, P.C.

ABSTRACT:

A computerized payment disbursement system and method are provided. One embodiment of the method of the present invention includes storing in a computer database user-defined payment disbursement criteria associated with a plurality of types of disbursement transactions. At least one payment disbursement request corresponding to one of the plurality of types is received. At least one payment disbursement is generated based upon the criteria and the request by automatically determining which of the plurality of types corresponds to the request and automatically selecting from the storage means the disbursement criteria associated with that disbursement type.

25 Claims, 2 Drawing figures



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File: USPT

Sep 17, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6453300

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6453300 B2

TITLE: Personalized greeting card with electronic storage media and method of personalizing same

DATE-ISSUED: September 17, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 09/ 377108 [PALM]

DATE FILED: August 19, 1999

PARENT-CASE:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS This application hereby claims priority on U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/098,570 filed Aug. 31, 1998, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. This application is related to allowed U.S. application Ser. No. 08/988,063 filed Dec. 10, 1997 (now U.S. Pat. No. 5,954,194), the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

INT-CL: [07] G06 F 17/60

US-CL-ISSUED: 705/26; 700/237

US-CL-CURRENT: 705/26; 700/237

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 700/233, 700/234, 700/235, 700/237, 705/26, 705/27, 705/22, 705/54, 705/77

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ART-UNIT: 2167

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Bartuska; F. J.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Whiteford Taylor & Preston Stone; Gregory M.

ABSTRACT:

Method and system for enabling a first person to produce a customized gift for a second person, including: providing a computer-readable storage medium having a control program and non-customized information stored thereon; obtaining data from the first person which relates to the second person; using the data to generate a customization code; providing the gift and the customization code to the second person; causing the control program to request the customization code from the

second person; and using the customization code to select information from the non-customized information to provide a customized display to the second person. The gift is preferably purchased and customized through an Internet website or other electronic system.

30 Claims, 10 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Sep 28, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5960412

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5960412 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for communicating with a card distribution center for management, selection, and delivery of social expression cards

DATE-ISSUED: September 28, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 709573 [PALM]

DATE FILED: September 6, 1996

PARENT-CASE:

This application is a continuation of application Ser. No. 08/239,251 filed May 6, 1994 which application is now issued on Sep. 10, 1996, U.S. Pat. No. 5,555,496.

INT-CL: [06] G06 F 17/60, G06 F 17/00, G06 F 7/00

US-CL-ISSUED: 705/27; 705/26, 364/479.03, 364/479.05

US-CL-CURRENT: 705/27; 700/233, 700/235, 705/26

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 705/1, 705/14, 705/26, 705/27, 235/383, 395/200.47, 395/200.49, 707/104, 364/468.24, 364/479.01, 364/479.03, 364/479.04, 364/479.05

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ART-UNIT: 271

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Tkacs; Stephen R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Welsh & Katz, Ltd.

ABSTRACT:

A system for communicating with a card distribution center for selecting, ordering, and sending social expression cards using a personal computer. The user can enter names and addresses of card recipients into the system wherein the information is maintained in a database. The system displays digitized images of the cards on a display screen which are retrieved from a card database. From the cards displayed, the user can select cards for designated recipients and enter personalized messages and a digitized signature. The user may then send the order to a card distribution center, which processes the order, retrieves and prints the selected card images, including any user messages or user signature, and mails the cards to designated recipients or customers. The system maintains a database of all recipients, addresses, associated occasions and dates, card preferences, relationships and order history.

85 Claims, 12 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Sep 21, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5954194

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5954194 A

TITLE: Gemstone gift card with video or audio device carrier

DATE-ISSUED: September 21, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 988063 [PALM]

DATE FILED: December 10, 1997

INT-CL: [06] B65 D 85/57

US-CL-ISSUED: 206/46; 206/308.1, 206/310, 206/493

US-CL-CURRENT: 206/96; 206/308.1, 206/310, 206/493

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 206/308.1, 206/310, 206/493

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ART-UNIT: 376

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Sewell; Paul T.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Nguyen; Trinh

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Sixbey, Friedman, Leedom & Ferguson Presta; Frank P. Presta; Joseph S.

ABSTRACT:

A card device including a front card portion and a back card portion hinged together in a manner which enables the card to be opened and closed. The back card portion includes spaced front, rear and side panels which define an interior space therebetween. The card further includes a tape cartridge, such as a VHS video or audio cassette tape, having a drive gear defining an open recess in the tape cartridge, and a gift carrier device including a gift carrier portion containing a gift item, such as a gemstone. The gift carrier device and the tape cartridge are positioned in nested relation within the interior space of the back card portion such that the gift carrier portion is received within the open recess in the tape cartridge. An alternative embodiment uses a compact disk case as the card and a recess in the disk carrier for receiving the gift item.

5 Claims, 12 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Mar 29, 1994

US-PAT-NO: 5299295

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5299295 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for electronically viewing, printing, and registering checks

DATE-ISSUED: March 29, 1994

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 07/ 667570 [PALM]

DATE FILED: March 12, 1991

INT-CL: [05] G06F 15/00

US-CL-ISSUED: 395/111; 395/117

US-CL-CURRENT: 358/1_12; 358/1_18

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 395/101, 395/117, 395/111, 364/406, 364/408, 364/705.02, 400/62, 400/63, 400/279

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ART-UNIT: 237

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Evans; Arthur G.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Townsend and Townsend, Khourie and Crew

ABSTRACT:

An electronic calculator for viewing, printing, and registering checks includes a base member for storing a plurality of checks, a data entry assembly for entering alpha-numeric data into the checkbook, a display screen for visually displaying the entered data. The electronic checkbook also includes a printing assembly having a mobile print head for printing check information on the face of an individual check. A check feed mechanism feeds individual checks to be printed past the print means and operates in conjunction with the print means so that, as each individual check is fed past the print means, the print means concomitantly prints data on the face of the check. A microprocessor electrically communicates with the data entry assembly, the printing assembly, and the check feed mechanism to process the entered data and to cooperatively drive the print head and the check feed mechanism to produce alpha-numeric printed matter on the face of the check.

21 Claims, 7 Drawing figures